



May 15, 2013

Item No. 9

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT
WITH AFTER SCHOOL MATTERS TO PROVIDE PRE-APPRENTICESHIP AND
APPRENTICESHIP YOUTH EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHA YOUTH**

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") or his designee to enter into a contract with After School Matters ("ASM") to provide pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship youth employment opportunities for 585 CHA youth ages 14-18 for the period of June 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014 for a total amount not-to-exceed \$555,000.

The Executive Vice President ("EVP") of Resident Services, the Office of the General Counsel and the Department of Procurement and Contracts have completed all necessary due diligence to support the submission of this initiative and recommend the approval of this item accordingly.

CORPORATE GOAL

The proposed program supports CHA's corporate goals of investing in CHA youth by providing services and supports and empowering them for success in the global economy.

FUNDING: CHA General Fund

SOLICITATION SUMMARY

Vendor: After School Matters
78 West Washington
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Contract Type: Professional Services

Base Contract Amount: \$555,000

Base Contract Period: June 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014

M/W/DBE Participation:

MBE ____% WBE ____% DBE ____%

Waiver: Pending

Section 3:

Hiring 4 (#) Subcontracting ____ (\$) Other Economic Opportunities X

GENERAL BACKGROUND

CHA's Resident Services Division is charged with engaging youth in out-of-school time and summer activities to support their development. ASM's program model is designed to provide all eligible Chicago teens, ages 14-18, with after school and out-of-school time programs. These programs provide some of the city's most vulnerable youth with a safe environment that promotes career exploration and educational advancement. Resident Services is seeking approval to enter into a contract with ASM to fund after school and out-of-school time programs for a total of 585 CHA youth ages 14-18 during the summer and fall sessions of 2013 and the spring, summer and fall sessions of 2014.

CHA youth are able to apply for any of ASM's 200 plus summer programs and more than 300 fall and spring programs. This partnership will allow CHA and ASM to continue with a data share agreement for the new contract term to enhance opportunities for CHA youth. ASM utilizes CHA's feedback on service gaps and resident interest to identify programs to be implemented in underserved communities and those communities with high concentrations of public housing and HCV youth. In 2012, more than 3,400 ASM slots were utilized by CHA youth, however CHA funded only 315 slots.

ASM's year-round programs provide transferable skills that youth will be able to use in both the classroom and as they move into the workplace. ASM utilizes a three-tiered program model with pre-apprenticeship, apprenticeship and advanced apprenticeship cohorts, each requiring applicants to possess a greater level of skill in the subject area upon entry into the program. Programs fall into one (1) of five (5) content areas: gallery, technology, words, science or sports. ASM offers three (3) terms throughout the calendar year, providing youth engaged year round with over 180 hours of structured programming.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with all applicable Chicago Housing Authority board policies and all applicable federal (HUD) procurement laws.

The EVP of Resident Services concurs with the recommendation to enter into a contract with After School Matters to provide pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship opportunities for CHA youth.

The CEO/President recommends the approval to enter into a contract with After School Matters to provide pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship opportunities for CHA youth in an amount not-to-exceed \$555,000 for the period of June 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-CHA-35

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has reviewed the Board Letter dated May 15, 2013 entitled "AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH AFTER SCHOOL MATTERS TO PROVIDE PRE-APPRENTICESHIP AND APPRENTICESHIP YOUTH EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHA YOUTH";

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY

THAT the Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to enter into a contract with After School Matters to provide pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship opportunities for CHA youth in an amount not-to-exceed \$555,000 for the period of June 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014.

This award is subject to the Contractor's compliance with the CHA's MBE/WBE/DBE, Section 3 resident hiring, and insurance requirements.



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